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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on August 24, 2005 in response to Applicant's Amendment and Response to Official Action filed on June 16, 2005, Applicants hereby re-submit the amendment filed on June 16, 2005, wherein each claim has been provided with the proper status identifier. Applicants respectfully request that the claim amendments submitted herein be entered as follows, and respectfully request consideration of the remarks below. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.